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READ:

G.O.Ms.No. 1538, Development, dated 15-4-46
G.O.Ms.No.2445, Development, dated 22-6-48

Read also:-

From the Director of Agriculture, Letter No. T.T.2.7/48, dt.19-2-48.
Government Memorandum No.24563 AIV/47-11, Development, dt. 8-5-1948.
From the Joint Director of Agriculture, Letter No.T.T.2.7/48, dt.26-5-48.
do- No.T.T.2.2098/48, dt.24-7-48.
do- No.T.T.2.2097/48, dt.1-8-48
do- No.T.T.2098/48, dt. 1-8-48.

ORDER:

In G.O.No.Ms. 1538, Development, dated 15-4-46, the Government sanctioned, among other things, the purchase of 100 M & B Sheds from the American Army Surpluses, for the use of the Agricultural Department. In place of the 100 M & B sheds indented for by this Government, only 50 M & B sheds and 50 Lahore sheds were allotted by the Director General of Disposals. The Government cancelled the orders for 50 Lahore sheds. The Joint Director of Agriculture has reported that out of the 50 M & B sheds accepted only 14 sheds were received intact and without any loss in materials. In the case of the other sheds, there were discrepancies. The Joint Director of Agriculture has reported that the value of the deficient M & B shed materials works out to Rs.4,890. As the Military authorities have reiterated that the loss will not on any account be binding on them and as the E.I. Railway authorities have not replied to the enquiry addressed to them for over a year, inppite of reminders, the Joint Director has recommended that the loss of Rs.4,890 being the value of the deficient M & B sheds materials may be written of. His Excellency the Governor of Madras accepts his recommendation and directs that the sum of Rs.4,890 (Rupees four thousand eight hundred and ninety only) being the loss to Government be written off.

2. The Joint Director of Agriculture has also reported that besides the loss in transit of the shed materials referred to in paragraph 1 above two wagons of materials for one M & B shed intended for the Wynaad

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Wynaad Colonisation scheme were actually delivered to the Tungabhadra Project and another wagon consisting of shed materials intended for Tirupattur Centre was returned to the B.M. Railway under the impression that it was on empty one. He has addressed the Railway authorities for certain particulars about these short receipts and has proposed to prefer claims against the Tungabhadra Project and the Railway authorities, respectively. The Joint Director of Agriculture is requested to take steps immediately to prefer claims against those concerned and report the result to Government.

3. In June 1948, the Controller of Supply Accounts, New Delhi, was asked not to raise any debit against this Government for the cost of 36 M & B sheds which were received with losses in transit. The Joint Director of Agriculture has now recommended that the Controller of Supply Accounts may be allowed to raise the necessary debit against this Government for the cost of the M & B sheds purchased by this Government except in respect of the following cases:

i) the cost of the three wagon loads of M & B sheds materials referred to in para 2 above; and

ii) the cost of M & B sheds transferred to the Firka Development Department; His Excellency the Governor of Madras accepts the Joint Director's recommendation and permits him to accept the bills issued by the Controller of Supply Accounts, New Delhi.

4. As 36 out of the 50 M & B sheds were received from the Director General of Disposals with discrepancies as referred to in para 1 above; the Government addressed the Director General of Disposals for reserving a list of share materials required for the completion of construction of the M & B sheds. The Director General of Disposals has since informed the Government that none of these materials can be declared surpluses In view of this, the Joint Director of Agriculture has made arrangements to proceed with the purchase of locally manufactured materials for making of the wanting parts and has requested that his action may be approved. As the materials are necessary for the construction of the sheds and are proposed by the Joint Director of Agriculture to be purchased from the savings in the estimates for the sheds already sanctioned; by Government, the Joint Director of Agriculture's action in having made arrangements for the construction of the M & B sheds with the purchase of locally manufactured materials is approved.

(By Order of His Excellency the Governor)

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Chief Secy. to Government.

To
The Joint Director of Agriculture,
The Accountant General through Finance Department.

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Superintendent
Madras Record Office.

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